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## BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers

Men's overalls 75c value, sale 50c, at the New York store.

Mrs. Fred Dunn and son of South Shaftsbury were in the village Thursday.

State's Attorney Frank C. Archibald of Manchester is in the village today.

Born June 23, a son, to Mr. and Mrs. D. Donahue of Convent avenue, weight 10 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins M. Graves have returned from a short trip to New York.

Robert Hall of New York is visiting at his home at Old Bennington for a few days.

Miss Pauline Cornell is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. E. Gorham in New York City.

Howard H. Shields and son of Old Bennington are on a fishing trip in Western Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sykes of Lakeview, N. Y., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Williams of Elm street.

The Sunday evening union gospel service at the Guildboard chapel at 7:30 will be led by Willard Gilbert.

Miss Kate J. Hubbell, who has been visiting in Sharon, Conn., has returned to her home at Old Bennington.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hollenbeck accompanied by Miss Helen White left today for a visit in New York and Newburg.

At the New York store's sale, ladies' new waists 45c. Sneaks for the whole family 44c; ladies' house dresses 45c. Adv.

In our men's and ladies' clothing department merchandise is selling at a reduction of from 10 to 20 per cent. Joe Levin. Adv.

A number of young people from Old Bennington attended the commencement exercises at the Hoosac school Thursday evening.

Take advantage of the wonderful bargains that Joe Levin is offering in his shoe department for Friday and Saturday. Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Reynolds of Troy were the guests over night of Mrs. Reynolds' sister, Mrs. Charles E. Welles of Old Bennington.

Mrs. Jessie Stockwell Sayles, who has been attending the New York state W. R. C. convention at Albany, is spending a few days with Mrs. C. H. Clark of South street.

Educators, Pla-Mate and Spartan shoes and ankle strap pumps in all the popular leathers, cloth and lisle tops prices \$1.25, \$1.50 up to \$5.00 per pair. Ritchie's Shoe department. Adv.

Refrigerator, sewing machine, beds and bedding, dining tables, chairs and rockers, stands, dishes, carpet, parlor suite, springs, mattresses, etc., at the auction in the rear of the second hand store at 129 North street tomorrow, Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock. John Huntington, auctioneer. Adv.

The remains of Mrs. Emma Newton, wife of Louisville Newton, who died at the Samaritan hospital in Troy were brought to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Rice, at Hinsdaleville Thursday evening. The funeral will be held from the home of Mrs. Rice Saturday at 2 p. m., Rev. W. F. Meyer, pastor of the Baptist church, officiating and the burial will be in the Hinsdaleville cemetery.

Frank E. Battles has gone to Putnam, Conn., on a business trip.

The cool, pleasant weather of this morning brought out a big crowd for the annual Bennington County Sunday school field day to be held in Nichols' grove in Arlington. The church bells gave warning that the atmosphere conditions were of the picnic brand and as early as 8 o'clock the streets were filled with people attached to lunch baskets and lunch boxes on their way to the station. Any one who had forgotten that it was the day of the big county gathering was reminded of the importance of the date when the Bennington City band formed at its quarters on Upper Main street and marched to the depot. A special train was run to Arlington to accommodate the picnickers.

## NORTH BENNINGTON

A special sale of men's \$2.50 and \$4.00 W. S. Douglas oxfords, tans, gun metal and patents at \$2.50. Mailton & Powers, North Bennington, Vt. Adv. 1212

## HUNDRED LIVES LOST

Dock in Russia Collapses Under Weight of Excursionists.

London, June 25.—A Petrograd dispatch says that more than a hundred lives were lost at Kazan, 40 miles east of Moscow, when a dock over the Kazanka river collapsed. The dock was crowded with excursionists, the dispatch stated.

## DEFEAT FOR CARRANZA

His Forces Have Been Driven Back to Mexico City.

Washington, June 25.—The Carranza and Gonzales forces have been driven back to Mexico City, according to advices received here.

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## A Short Hay Crop

### Farmers in Distress Over the Outlook.

### What Is Being Done To Relieve the Situation

Farmers in many sections of Vermont are much concerned regarding the poor condition of the hay crop. It is claimed that in some parts of the state not over half the usual crop will be harvested. A good second crop will be the only relief this season from extremely high prices before next spring.

The Agricultural Experts are proving their worth in this as in many another similar difficulty for they are telling the farmers to top dress with Chemical Fertilizers as soon as the grass is cut and they are likely to get a second crop of hay or "Rowen" nearly as large, and if properly handled, of much greater value as a milk producer than the first crop.

The Vermont Experiment Station in one of their recent bulletins recommends Formulas especially adapted for summer top dressing.

If you will send your name and address to C. S. Page, Hyde Park, Vt., he will send you a copy of these Formulas free, postpaid, together with directions for mixing, cost of materials, etc. Hadn't you better write him today?—News and Citizen.

## HISTORIC SCILLY ISLANDS

Sinister Events Have Happened There for Centuries

The Scilly Islands, near Cornwall England, where German submarines have been active, have had a sinister history. A proverb current there says that for every person who dies a natural death on the islands the sea takes nine. In 1707 Sir Cloudesley Shovel perished in the wreck of his flagship and two other men-of-war, while two fireships of his squadron were driven aground and the remainder only narrowly escaped. The grave yard of an old Puritan church on St. Mary's, one of the islands of 390 persons drowned in the wreck of the Scyller in 1875, and other disasters have occurred since.

In ancient times, says the Indianapolis News, the islands were a haunt for pirates who were later notorious for smuggling. In 1649 the islands were occupied by a royalist, Sir Rich and Grenville, and formed the base from which he swept the surrounding sea for two years until a fleet under Admiral Blake and Sir John Ayscue forced him to surrender.

The islands are for the most part wild and bleak with sheer cliffs and many caves hollowed out by the Atlantic. Only five of the 49 of the group are inhabited. Those that are occupied lend themselves well to the uses of man, for the climate is mild, snow being rarely seen and the temperature seldom deviating much from a moderate summer heat. Vegetation is luxuriant. Geraniums and myrtles attain an immense height, aloes and cactus flourish in the open and even palms are grown in the gardens of the governor on Treco Island.

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## HEAVY FIRE LOSS IN GUILDFORD

Factory Owned by Robert G. Coombs Destroyed

Brattleboro, July 23.—It developed today that the fire which totally destroyed last night the factory building in the Algiers district of Guilford, and its contents, owned by Robert G. Coombs, caused a total damage of over \$15,000 on which there is about two-thirds insurance.

Mr. Coombs had recently bought the beekeepers business established in Colrain, Mass., in 1860 by William Cary, Sr., and was New England agent for the A. I. Root Co. of Dayton, Ohio, the largest concern doing that form of business in the country. His building was packed with all sorts of supplies, both manufactured and in the form of flat stock, and contained much valuable machinery. The loss on "foundation," a material of wax-like substance used in the bee hives, two tons of which had recently been placed in the building, will reach alone nearly \$3,000.

Mr. Coombs collapsed at the fire and this morning his trouble was diagnosed as appendicitis. He is at the home of his father in Brattleboro. The family home near the shop was burned last August. Mr. Coombs has not decided on his future plans. He and all residents, of that neighborhood believe that the fire was of incendiary origin.

U. V. M. WINS HONOR

War Department Places College in "Distinguished" Class

A telegram received at the University of Vermont from the war department announces that the university has been placed in the "distinguished" class.

This is an honor never before attained by a Vermont institution. It means that all cadet officers of the university who have been through the military course and have reached the rank of either captain or major are eligible to appointment as second lieutenants in the regular army without further examination.

The action of the war department is considered highly complimentary to Capt. Ira L. Reeves, military instructor. President Guy Potter Benson sent a telegram of congratulation to Capt. Reeves at Bradford, where he is the guest of Col. Johnson of the 1st Vermont Regiment, V. N. G.

There are 10 cadets at the university eligible to appointment and it is probable that some of them will take advantage of the opportunity to secure a commission.

## SUE FOR FALSE IMPRISONMENT

Olivas, Vaudeville Artists, Bring \$20,000 Suit in Montpelier

Montpelier, June 23.—Alleging that they were forcibly detained and imprisoned without cause, Fannie Oliva and G. Oliva of Cambridge, Mass., vaudeville artists have caused suits to be entered in Washington county court returnable for the September term against R. L. McIntyre and Ida McIntyre of this city, George Morris of Barre and C. E. Henderson of Woodsville, N. H. The plaintiff in each case is suing for \$10,000. Mr. McIntyre is the manager of the Pavilion theatre of Barre of which Mr. Henderson is proprietor. The Olivas have a musical act and the papers set forth that they were caused much humiliation and suffered loss of reputation.

## CARVED WITH RAZORS

Backyards Row at Winooski Was Distasteful

As the result of using razors during an altercation in a Winooski backyard Sunday evening, Frank Denier is in jail with one ear nearly cut off and two fingers of his left hand and one finger on the right hand nearly severed. The other participant in the affair, Andre Maggola is in the Mary Fletcher hospital with one ear partly separated from his head. Following the quarrel, Maggola walked to Burlington on the railroad track where he fell near the bridge at Athletic park, weakened by the loss of blood.

## CLOUDS OF GRASSHOPPERS

Pests Devouring Everything Green Near Bellows Falls.

In Bellows Falls, grasshoppers have located on the Lovell farm in great quantities. Passing autos run over thousands of them, and as the cars approach the grasshoppers fly from the road in clouds. In many places on the farm, the grass is black with the pest, the grass being wholly obscured. Even the rhubarb leaves and stalks do not escape the ravages of the insect.

## WAS NOT CARELESS

Richard Ballard Allowed to Resume Running Automobile.

Burlington, June 23.—Secretary of State Guy W. Bailey has vacated the order of suspension of Richard Ballard's license to drive an automobile, having failed to find that he was careless or negligent in the evidence presented by State's Attorney Hopkins in the recent accident when Mrs. G. F. North was struck and knocked down by Mr. Ballard's car.

## Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

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white washable and other Silk Petticoats—pretty Porch and

House Dresses—Motor and Travel Coats of Beach cloth,

linen and mohair—Corduroy and Serge Dress Skirts in white

and colors, and Washable Skirts of every fabric. Also another

lot of those Black Silk Coats especially designed for

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